

**CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS OPEN
SPACE PRESERVATION ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE**

MINUTES

of the

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I. Call to Order.

The special meeting of the Citizens Oversight Committee Meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District Number One was called to order by the Chair, Melvin J. Remba, at 7:22 p.m. on May 17, 2006 at the Sooky Goldman Nature Center in Franklin Canyon Park, 2600 Franklin Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, 90210.

II. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Cassandra Barrere; Karen Brooks; Art Pollyea; Pam Cooke; Ginny Kruger; Orrin Feldman; Joan Luchs, and Melvin J. Remba, Chair. Quorum was present. The following members were absent:; Beth Dymond; Ruth Weiss; and Roberta Cummings, Vice Chair.

Staff present: Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources and Planning; Jeff Maloney, Staff Counsel and Angie McWhirter, Board Secretary.

III. Approval of minutes from meeting of February 22, 2006, and the meeting of March 30, 2005.

Comments were made by the Chair.

Comments were made by Ms. Luchs and Ms. Barrere

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, Ms. Kruger, Ms. Luchs, the Chair, and the Staff Council.

Comments were made by Ms. Luchs and Ms. Cooke.

Comments were made by the Chair, and the Staff Council

Questions were propounded by Mr. Feldman.

Comments made by Mr. Pollyea, Ms. Luchs and Mr. Feldman.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Chair.

On motion of Ms. Kruger, duly seconded, minutes from the meeting of March 30, 2005, and February 22, 2006, were unanimously approved.

IV. Chairperson's Report.

No comments were made.

V. Reports from staff.

The Citizen's Oversight Committee received a verbal report from the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and an update on these areas. Discussion followed.

(a) Deerhorn Ridge in Area A;

Questions propounded by the Chair

Comments made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, and Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments made by the Chief of Natural Resources, Ms. Brooks, Ms. Cooke, the Chair, and Staff Council.

(b) Updates on Cahuenga Pass, Woodrow Wilson, Tax Default Property;

Questions were propounded by Ms. Brooks, the Chair, and Ms. Cooke.

Comments made by the Chief of Natural Resources.

(c) Updates on Area B acquisitions, East Side of Benedict Canyon;

Questions were propounded by Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Luchs, and Mr. Feldman.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

(d) Updates on Wrightwood Property North of Mulholland;

Questions were propounded by Ms. Kruger.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning,
the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Feldman.

Comments made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by Staff Council.

The Citizen's Oversight Committee received a verbal report from the Staff Council
on Brushing Accounts.

Comments were made by Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Feldman.

Comments were made by the Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Staff Council and the Chief of Natural Resources.

Questions were made by Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Staff Council.

Questions were made by Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Staff Council, the Chair, the Chief of Natural
Resources and Mr. Feldman.

The Citizen's Oversight Committee received a verbal report from the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning regarding Los Angeles County tax defaulted auction.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Feldman, and Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

VI. Public testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda.

No comments were made.

VII. Presentation and discussion of fuel modification on Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) owned property in Assessment District One.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Comments were made by Ms. Luchs, Mr. Feldman, and Ms. Cooke.

VIII. Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority add APN 2278-028-002, in Acquisition Area A (Sherman Oaks) to the District no. 1 Engineer's report and determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire said property is thereby consistent with the criteria and requirements established in said amended report.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Kruger and the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

On motion of Ms. Brooks, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-04 was unanimously adopted.

IX. Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 4378-011-015, 4378-003-004 and 4377-002-004 in Acquisition Area B (Hoag Canyon) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the final Engineer's Report.

Comments were made by Mr. Pollyea, Ms. Kruger, the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and the Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Ms. Kruger.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and Ms. Kruger.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Kruger and the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and Ms. Cooke.

On the motion of Ms. Cooke, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-05 was approved. The motion was approved by the Chair, Ms. Barrere, Ms. Brooks, Ms. Cooke, Mr. Feldman, Ms. Luchs, and Mr. Pollyea. Ms. Kruger was excused from the motion.

X. Discussion and direction to staff on future potential acquisitions in District 1.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Luchs regarding Beverly Glen property and North of Grand View - Sunset Plaza - Laurel Canyon area.

Comments were made by the Chair of Natural Resources and Planning, the Staff Council, the Chair, and Ms. Barrere.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Luchs.

Comments were made by the Staff Council, Mr. Feldman, and the Chair.

XI. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.

Comments were made by the Chair and Ms. Luchs.

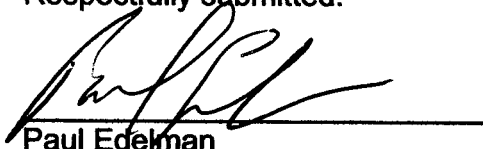
XII. Statements, questions, or directions to staff pursuant to Government Code §54954.2(a)

Comments were made by the Chair, and Ms. Luchs.

XIII. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

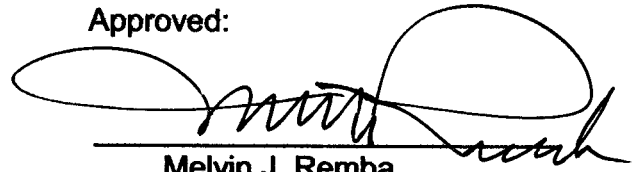
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Paul Edelman
Chief of Natural Resources and Planning

Approved:



Melvin J. Remba
Chair